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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a long-time Sonic.net customer. I previously received service from another provider, which was less than satisfactory most of the time. I chose Sonic because they are local and have our community's best interests at heart. Every interaction I have had with Sonic has resulted in a satisfactory solution to the issue I brought before them. I am consistently pleased with the service I receive from Sonic.

I strongly oppose deregulation and the resulting stringent fee increases that we will suffer as a result. It is vital to the community that the broadband market remain competitive to insure fair and equitable pricing, as well as the ability to meet consumer needs.

I oppose the petition presented to the FCC to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. Please do not approve the changes being requested.

Competition insures that citizens' rights are upheld and promotes growth for all of our futures!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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